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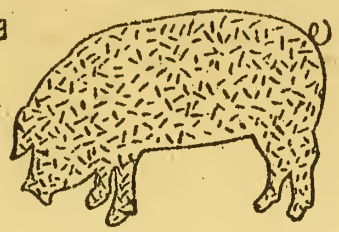

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PIG CROP REPORT, DECEMBER 1952

The Crop Reporting Board of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics makes the following report of sows farrowing, pigs per litter, and pigs saved. This report is based upon returns from some 132,000 farmers obtained in cooperation with the Post Office Department through the rural mail carriers.

	SPRING PIG CROP (December 1 - June 1)				FALL PIG CROP (June 1 - December 1)			
	Average 1941-50	1952	1953	1953 % of 1952	Average 1941-50	1951	1952	1952 % of 1951
	Thousand head				Thousand head			
SOWS FARROWING								
United States	8,962	8,504	1/ 7,395	87	5,638	6,032	5,318	88
N.Cent.States(Corn Belt)	6,710	6,498	1/ 5,853	90	3,660	4,228	3,807	90
PIGS SAVED								
United States	56,242	56,430	2/48,000	85	36,312	39,804	35,355	89
N.Cent.States(Corn Belt)	42,624	43,516	2/38,500	88	23,960	28,036	25,554	91
	Number				Number			
PIGS PER LITTER								
United States	6.29	6.64			6.45	6.60	6.65	
N.Cent.States(Corn Belt)	6.37	6.70			6.55	6.63	6.71	

	PIGS SAVED ANNUALLY (Year ended Dec. 1)			
	Average 1941-50	1951	1952	1952 % of 1951
	Thousand head			
United States	92,554	101,811	91,785	90
N.Cent.States(Corn Belt)	66,584	76,737	69,070	90

1/1953 spring farrowings are indicated from breeding intentions reports.
2/Average number of pigs per litter with allowance for trend used to compute indicated number of spring pigs. Number rounded to nearest 500,000 head.

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PIG CROP REPORT - DECEMBER 1952

The 1952 pig crop totaled 91.8 million head, a decrease of 10 percent from last year, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reported today. The spring pig crop was down 9 percent and the fall crop 11 percent. The number of sows farrowing this fall was 12 percent smaller than last year but the number of pigs saved per litter, at 6.65 is equal to the record high fall litter size in 1950. The fall pig crop at 35,355,000 is the smallest fall crop since 1948.

For the coming spring crop, reports on breeding intentions indicate a total of 7,395,000 sows to farrow, 13 percent below the number farrowing last spring. Assuming a litter size of 6.50 (the 10-year average of 6.29 with allowance for trend) this number of sows would indicate a pig crop of 48.0 million head in the spring of 1953. Such a crop would be 15 percent smaller than last spring.

Marketings from the 1952 spring crop were quite rapid during the fall months and at weights slightly higher than the previous fall. Farmers' reports indicate that on December 1 the number of hogs over 6 months old was about 15 percent smaller than last year.

This report is based on a survey of 132,000 farm and ranch operators. These returns were obtained largely in cooperation with the Post Office Department through rural mail carriers.

Fall Pig Crop: The number of pigs saved in the fall season of 1952 (June 1 to December 1) is estimated at 35,355,000 head. This is 4,449,000 head or 11 percent smaller than the 1951 fall crop, 3 percent below the 1941-50 average, and the smallest fall crop since 1948. Fall pig numbers are below last year in all regions. The North Atlantic States are down 6 percent; east North Central, 10 percent; west North Central, 8 percent; South Atlantic, 9 percent; South Central and Western States, each down 23 percent.

The number of sows farrowing in the 1952 fall season is estimated at 5,318,000 head, 714,000 or 12 percent below the fall of 1951. The number of sows farrowing in the fall was 3 percentage points below the number that farmers' reports last June indicated would farrow. All regions, except the West North Central show larger decreases in fall farrowings then intended last June. The percentages that the 1952 fall farrowings are of 1951 as now estimated and the fall intentions as reported last June are as follows: North Atlantic, 93 percent now and 98 percent last June; east North Central, 90 and 94; west North Central, 90 and 90; South Atlantic, 93 and 98; South Central, 78 and 85; West, 76 and 83.

The number of pigs saved per litter at 6.65 is the same as the record high in the fall of 1950, 1 percent above 1951, and 3 percent above the 10-year average. Weather conditions during the peak fall farrowing months were generally favorable.

Compared with a year earlier, the monthly distribution of farrowings in the 1952 fall season shows a larger percentage of litters in June, July and August and smaller percentages in the last three months. The percentage of sows farrowing each month during the fall season compared with the same month in 1951 is as follows: June 1952, 15.3 percent compared with 13.6 percent in June 1951; July, 12.5 compared with 11.1; August, 22.9 and 22.4; September, 29.3 and 30.3; October 13.9 and 16.4; and November, 5.8 and 6.2.

Yearly Pig Crop: The combined spring and fall pig crop for 1952 is estimated at 91,785,000 head. This is 10,026,000 head or 10 percent smaller than the 1951 crop and is smaller than the 10-year average by 1 percent. The 1952 pig crop is the smallest since 1948.

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SOWS FARROWING, PIGS PER LITTER, AND PIGS SAVED, 1930-1953, FOR THE UNITED STATES

Year	Sows Farrowing		Pigs per litter		Pigs Saved		
	Spring (Dec. 1-June 1)	Fall (June 1-Dec. 1)	Spring (Dec. 1-June 1)	Fall (June 1-Dec. 1)	Spring (Dec. 1-June 1)	Fall (June 1-Dec. 1)	Year (Dec. 1-Dec. 1)
	Thousand head				Thousand head		
1930	8,278	4,073	5.96	6.09	49,332	24,803	74,135
1931	8,969	4,797	6.02	6.09	53,984	29,192	83,176
1932	8,810	5,179	5.79	6.08	51,031	31,494	82,525
1933	9,122	5,207	5.86	5.90	53,460	30,740	84,200
1934	6,825	2,936	5.82	5.81	39,698	17,068	56,766
1935	5,467	3,857	6.01	6.03	32,884	23,260	56,144
1936	6,954	3,957	5.96	6.14	41,422	24,303	65,725
1937	6,177	3,845	6.23	6.24	38,525	23,994	62,519
1938	6,795	4,517	6.36	6.32	43,289	28,566	71,855
1939	8,692	5,352	6.12	6.30	53,238	33,714	86,952
1940	8,247	4,763	6.01	6.36	49,584	30,282	79,866
1941	7,760	5,535	6.36	6.43	49,368	35,584	84,952
1942	9,684	6,840	6.31	6.40	61,093	43,810	104,903
1943	12,174	7,565	6.10	6.29	74,223	47,584	121,807
1944	9,246	4,882	6.03	6.33	55,754	30,905	86,659
1945	8,302	5,429	6.29	6.38	52,216	34,611	86,827
1946	8,077	4,704	6.46	6.49	52,191	30,503	82,694
1947	8,548	4,866	6.11	6.39	52,199	31,090	83,289
1948	7,833	5,070	6.44	6.58	50,468	33,358	83,826
1949	8,820	5,568	6.46	6.52	56,969	36,275	93,244
1950	9,174	5,923	6.31	6.65	57,935	39,404	97,339
1951	9,591	6,032	6.47	6.60	62,007	39,804	101,811
1952	8,504	5,318	6.64	6.65	56,430	35,355	91,785
1953 1/	7,395	---	2/6.50	---	2/48,000	---	---

1/Spring farrowings indicated from breeding intentions reports.

2/Average number of pigs per litter with allowance for trend used to compute indicated number of spring pigs. Number rounded to nearest 500,000 head.

U. S. SOWS FARROWING, BY MONTHS, FALL

Year	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Total
	Thousand head						
1941-50 av.	745	619	1,087	1,748	1,001	438	5,638
1950	710	610	1,285	1,891	1,004	423	5,923
1951	819	673	1,350	1,827	987	376	6,032
1952	816	663	1,218	1,573	741	307	5,318
	Percent of total fall sows farrowing						
1941-50 av.	13.2	11.0	19.3	31.0	17.7	7.8	100.0
1950	12.0	10.3	21.7	31.9	17.0	7.1	100.0
1951	13.6	11.1	22.4	30.3	16.4	6.2	100.0
1952	15.3	12.5	22.9	29.6	13.9	5.8	100.0

State and Div.	SOWS FARROWING: SPRING (Dec. 1 - June 1) 10-yr. average 1941-50 (000)	SPRING 1951 (000)	SPRING 1952 (000)	SPRING 1953 I/ (000)	SPRING % of 1952	FALL (June 1 - Dec. 1) 10-yr. average 1941-50 (000)	FALL 1951 (000)	FALL 1952 (000)	FALL % of 1951	PIGS PER LITTER: SPRING Number 1951	SPRING Number 1952	FALL Number 1951	FALL Number 1952
Me.	6	5	4	4	93	5	4	3	82	6.8	7.0	6.6	6.3
N.H.	2	1	2	2	84	2	1	2	107	6.2	6.6	7.1	6.6
Vt.	3	2	2	2	100	2	2	2	100	7.0	7.0	7.6	7.2
Mass.	14	13	12	12	100	10	9	10	110	5.5	6.2	6.0	5.8
R.I.	1	1	1	1	100	1	1	1	100	5.6	6.5	6.6	6.3
Conn.	4	3	3	3	113	4	3	3	103	6.3	6.2	6.8	6.6
N.Y.	32	25	28	23	82	25	21	18	86	7.3	7.4	7.5	7.5
N.J.	16	16	16	14	88	11	10	9	90	6.2	6.0	6.6	6.6
Pa.	83	87	89	75	84	79	75	70	93	6.7	6.9	6.9	7.1
N.A.	161	153	157	136	86	139	126	118	93	6.63	6.83	6.92	6.97
Ohio	432	443	430	378	88	378	399	347	87	6.70	6.82	6.83	6.89
Ind.	570	654	615	566	92	524	612	563	92	6.63	6.80	6.76	6.66
Ill.	904	1,042	948	872	92	581	679	625	92	6.35	6.53	6.55	6.58
Mich.	124	134	122	100	82	102	103	88	85	6.94	6.91	6.97	7.00
Wis.	332	352	327	291	89	179	198	172	87	6.78	6.95	6.66	6.95
N.C.E.	2,362	2,625	2,442	2,207	90	1,764	1,991	1,795	90	6.57	6.72	6.70	6.72
Minn.	717	738	627	564	90	261	305	293	96	6.48	6.74	6.48	6.61
Iowa	1,946	2,209	1,900	1,786	94	786	1,010	980	97	6.59	6.81	6.68	6.77
Mo.	496	616	480	442	92	438	480	403	84	6.59	6.74	6.60	6.79
N.Dak.	140	102	93	73	78	22	16	14	88	6.64	6.70	6.64	6.81
S.Dak.	352	376	320	266	83	60	66	57	86	6.23	6.42	6.11	6.32
Nebr.	495	588	476	400	84	176	212	161	76	6.16	6.28	6.27	6.47
Kans.	202	226	160	115	72	153	148	104	70	6.30	6.43	6.49	6.59
N.C.W.	4,348	4,855	4,056	3,646	90	1,896	2,237	2,012	90	6.48	6.68	6.57	6.70
N.C.	6,710	7,480	6,498	5,853	90	3,660	4,228	3,807	90	6.51	6.70	6.63	6.71
Del.	4	5	5	5	91	4	5	5	100	6.5	6.7	6.5	6.4
Md.	30	34	33	30	91	29	29	27	93	6.6	6.9	6.9	6.8
Va.	88	103	98	80	82	87	88	80	91	6.3	6.7	6.8	6.7
W.Va.	24	21	19	17	89	26	19	16	85	7.2	7.3	7.2	7.3
N.C.	134	152	170	139	82	109	130	114	88	6.4	6.3	6.8	6.6
S.C.	79	78	80	70	87	75	70	75	107	6.0	6.0	6.3	6.3
Ga.	203	216	235	190	81	182	209	192	92	6.1	6.3	6.3	6.2
Fla.	94	74	81	85	105	76	60	57	95	6.2	6.3	6.0	6.0
S.A.	656	683	721	616	85	588	610	566	93	6.26	6.38	6.51	6.40
Ky.	167	166	149	104	70	148	126	100	79	6.5	6.7	6.8	6.9
Tenn.	153	166	151	100	66	142	140	109	78	6.3	6.6	6.7	6.7
Ala.	125	146	143	120	84	123	144	127	88	6.4	6.6	6.5	6.4
Miss.	112	88	83	68	82	92	81	70	86	5.3	5.9	5.7	6.0
Ark.	122	89	80	53	66	103	68	49	72	6.4	6.3	6.5	6.6
La.	114	73	73	55	75	92	66	55	83	5.6	6.0	5.7	5.8
Okla.	118	114	93	56	60	113	88	58	66	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.6
Tex.	218	184	140	84	60	205	166	116	70	6.5	6.6	6.7	6.4
S.C.	1,129	1,026	912	640	70	1,018	879	684	78	6.27	6.47	6.49	6.46
Mont.	35	31	26	18	69	22	18	13	72	6.5	6.8	6.8	7.0
Idaho	43	27	25	15	60	29	22	14	64	6.3	6.3	6.4	6.7
Wyo.	12	12	8	5	65	9	8	5	67	6.1	6.4	6.5	6.8
Colo.	49	42	36	26	72	36	29	23	79	6.2	6.0	6.5	6.5
N.Mex.	12	10	7	5	71	8	6	5	77	6.4	6.1	6.3	5.9
Ariz.	5	3	3	2	67	4	3	2	84	6.0	5.7	5.9	6.6
Utah	15	13	10	6	60	12	8	5	60	6.6	6.2	6.8	6.4
Nev.	3	3	3	2	64	2	2	2	89	6.4	6.1	6.5	7.1
Wash.	29	16	15	11	73	22	16	14	88	6.7	6.8	6.9	7.0
Oreg.	30	19	21	13	62	21	19	13	68	6.8	6.7	7.3	7.4
Calif.	73	73	62	47	76	68	58	47	81	6.3	5.8	6.0	6.1
West.	306	249	216	150	70	233	189	143	76	6.38	6.23	6.47	6.56
U.S.	8,962	9,591	8,504	7,395	87	5,638	6,032	5,318	88	6.47	6.64	6.60	6.65

1/Number indicated to farrow from breeding intentions reports.

PIGS SAVED

State	SPRING (Dec. 1 - June 1)				FALL (June 1 - Dec. 1)				YEAR			
	10-yr. average 1941-50 (000)	1951 (000)	1952 (000)	1952 % of 1951	10-yr. average 1941-50 (000)	1951 (000)	1952 (000)	1952 % of 1951	10-yr. average 1941-50 (000)	1951 (000)	1952 (000)	1952 % of 1951
Maine	38	34	31	91	36	26	20	77	74	60	51	85
N.H.	16	11	13	118	12	11	11	100	28	22	24	109
Vt.	20	13	14	108	17	12	12	100	37	25	26	104
Mass.	75	72	74	103	55	55	58	105	131	127	132	104
R.I.	6	3	4	133	5	3	3	100	11	6	7	117
Conn.	27	19	19	100	23	23	23	100	50	42	42	100
N.Y.	223	182	207	114	177	158	135	85	400	340	342	101
N.J.	99	99	96	97	72	66	59	89	171	165	155	94
Pa.	540	583	614	105	534	518	497	96	1,073	1,101	1,111	101
N.A.	1,044	1,016	1,072	106	931	872	818	94	1,975	1,888	1,890	100
Ohio	2,866	2,968	2,933	99	2,582	2,725	2,391	88	5,448	5,693	5,324	94
Ind.	3,727	4,336	4,182	101	3,463	4,137	3,750	91	7,191	8,473	7,932	94
Ill.	5,670	6,617	6,190	94	3,770	4,447	4,112	92	9,439	11,064	10,302	93
Mich.	829	930	843	91	687	718	616	86	1,516	1,648	1,459	89
Wis.	2,205	2,387	2,273	95	1,198	1,319	1,195	91	3,403	3,706	3,468	94
N.C.E.	15,297	17,238	16,421	95	11,700	13,346	12,064	90	26,997	30,584	28,485	93
Minn.	4,503	4,782	4,226	88	1,669	1,976	1,937	98	6,172	6,758	6,163	91
Iowa	12,339	14,557	12,939	89	5,071	6,747	6,635	98	17,410	21,304	19,574	92
Mo.	3,213	4,059	3,235	80	2,933	3,168	2,736	86	6,146	7,227	5,971	83
N.Dak.	895	677	623	92	139	106	95	90	1,034	783	718	92
S.Dak.	2,135	2,342	2,054	88	364	403	360	89	2,499	2,745	2,414	88
Nebr.	2,971	3,622	2,989	83	1,090	1,329	1,042	78	4,061	4,951	4,031	81
Kans.	1,271	1,424	1,029	72	994	961	685	71	2,265	2,385	1,714	72
N.C.W.	27,327	31,463	27,095	86	12,260	14,690	13,490	92	39,587	46,153	40,585	88
N.C.	42,624	48,701	43,516	89	23,960	28,036	25,554	91	66,584	76,737	69,070	90
Del.	25	31	36	116	27	31	30	97	51	62	66	106
Md.	193	224	228	102	192	200	184	92	385	424	412	97
Va.	565	649	657	101	587	598	536	90	1,152	1,247	1,193	96
W.Va.	167	151	139	92	181	137	117	85	348	288	256	89
N.C.	837	973	1,071	110	698	884	752	85	1,535	1,857	1,823	98
S.C.	452	468	480	103	449	441	472	107	901	909	952	105
Ga.	1,192	1,318	1,480	112	1,075	1,317	1,190	90	2,266	2,635	2,670	101
Fla.	475	459	510	111	395	360	342	95	871	819	852	104
S.A.	3,906	4,273	4,601	108	3,604	3,968	3,623	91	7,510	8,241	8,224	100
Ky.	1,091	1,079	998	92	996	857	690	81	2,087	1,936	1,688	87
Tenn.	966	1,046	997	95	939	938	730	78	1,904	1,984	1,727	87
Ala.	735	934	944	101	742	936	813	87	1,478	1,870	1,757	94
Miss.	599	466	490	105	514	462	420	91	1,114	928	910	98
Ark.	732	570	504	88	646	442	323	73	1,377	1,012	827	82
La.	594	409	438	107	490	376	319	85	1,084	785	757	96
Okla.	733	730	604	83	727	581	383	66	1,461	1,311	987	75
Tex.	1,311	1,196	924	77	1,273	1,112	742	67	2,584	2,308	1,666	72
S.C.	6,761	6,430	5,899	92	6,327	5,704	4,420	77	13,088	12,134	10,319	85
Mont.	224	202	177	88	143	122	91	75	366	324	268	83
Idaho	270	170	158	93	192	141	94	67	462	311	252	81
Wyo.	72	73	49	67	56	49	34	69	128	122	83	68
Colo.	290	260	216	83	225	188	150	80	514	448	366	82
N.Mex.	67	61	43	70	52	41	30	73	119	102	73	72
Ariz.	28	18	17	94	22	18	16	89	50	36	33	92
Utah	98	86	62	72	77	56	32	57	176	142	94	66
Nev.	21	21	17	81	12	12	12	100	33	33	29	88
Wash.	194	107	102	95	156	110	98	89	350	217	200	92
Oreg.	202	129	141	109	148	139	96	69	351	268	237	88
Calif.	441	460	360	78	407	348	287	82	848	808	647	80
West.	1,907	1,587	1,342	85	1,490	1,224	940	77	3,397	2,811	2,282	81
U.S.	56,242	62,007	56,430	91	36,312	39,804	35,355	89	92,554	101,811	91,785	90

FALL - SOWS FARROWING - 1951

State	Total	Sows Farrowing by Months						Percent of total					
		June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
		Thousands											
N.Y.	21	2	1	5	6	5	2	11.3	7.2	22.1	28.5	22.6	8.3
Pa.	75	6	6	16	24	15	8	8.2	8.5	21.3	31.3	20.6	10.1
Other N.Atl. 1/	30	5	3	6	8	6	2	16.7	10.0	20.0	26.7	20.0	6.6
N.Atl.	126	13	10	27	38	26	12	10.3	8.0	21.4	30.2	20.6	9.5
Ohio	399	32	40	105	136	65	21	7.9	10.0	26.3	34.2	16.4	5.2
Ind.	612	70	76	198	177	69	22	11.5	12.5	32.3	28.9	11.2	3.6
Ill.	679	81	64	160	238	105	31	12.0	9.4	23.6	35.0	15.4	4.6
Mich.	103	15	14	20	28	20	6	14.5	13.7	19.7	27.7	19.0	5.4
Wis.	198	29	27	44	55	34	9	14.9	13.5	22.1	27.9	17.1	4.5
E.N.Cent.	1,991	227	221	527	634	293	89	11.4	11.1	26.5	31.8	14.7	4.5
Minn.	305	62	31	69	96	41	6	20.3	10.3	22.6	31.3	13.5	2.0
Iowa	1,010	197	81	217	343	147	25	19.5	8.0	21.5	34.0	14.5	2.5
Mo.	480	39	57	103	163	86	32	8.1	11.8	21.4	34.0	17.9	6.8
N.Dak.	16	8	2	2	3	1	---	52.9	14.2	10.6	15.5	5.0	1.8
S.Dak.	66	17	6	11	20	11	1	25.0	8.5	17.2	30.0	17.1	2.2
Nebr.	212	27	12	40	75	45	13	12.9	5.9	18.7	35.2	21.2	6.1
Kans.	148	17	13	27	55	26	10	11.6	8.5	18.5	36.8	17.7	6.9
W.N.Cent.	2,237	367	202	469	755	357	87	16.4	9.0	21.0	33.7	16.0	3.9
N.Cent.	4,228	594	423	996	1,389	650	176	14.0	10.0	23.6	32.8	15.4	4.2
Del. & Md.	34	4	4	7	9	7	3	11.8	11.7	20.6	26.5	20.6	8.8
Va.	88	8	10	20	28	14	8	9.0	11.8	22.1	31.2	16.3	9.6
W.Va.	19	1	2	4	6	4	2	6.1	10.5	21.0	30.9	22.8	8.7
N.C.	130	14	17	29	31	22	17	11.0	13.1	22.0	24.1	16.5	13.3
S.C.	70	10	9	15	16	12	8	14.4	13.6	21.0	22.2	17.9	10.9
Ga.	209	26	33	35	50	40	25	12.6	15.6	16.6	23.8	19.4	12.0
Fla.	60	7	8	8	16	13	8	11.9	13.0	12.8	27.4	21.6	13.3
S.Atl.	610	70	83	118	156	112	71	11.5	13.6	19.3	25.6	18.4	11.6
Ky.	126	13	16	26	38	21	12	10.3	12.4	20.8	30.5	16.8	9.2
Tenn.	140	18	19	28	32	25	18	13.2	13.4	19.8	23.1	17.5	13.0
Ala.	144	18	27	28	28	26	17	12.2	18.8	19.5	19.2	18.4	11.9
Miss.	81	14	11	14	16	16	10	17.4	13.0	17.2	19.3	20.1	13.0
Ark.	68	8	11	13	15	14	7	11.4	16.9	19.0	22.4	20.5	9.8
La.	66	10	10	14	12	11	9	14.5	15.8	20.5	18.9	17.2	13.1
Okla.	88	8	12	17	25	18	8	9.3	13.8	18.7	28.5	20.5	9.2
Tex.	166	26	27	33	31	31	18	15.6	16.1	19.9	18.7	18.9	10.8
S.Cent.	879	115	133	173	197	162	99	13.1	15.1	19.7	22.4	18.4	11.3
Colo.	29	5	4	4	7	6	3	18.2	12.6	15.6	23.3	19.2	11.1
Wash.	16	2	2	4	4	3	1	10.5	11.8	23.4	26.9	21.0	6.4
Oreg.	19	2	3	5	5	3	1	13.6	14.1	25.4	25.2	14.6	7.1
Calif.	58	8	8	11	12	12	7	13.6	13.3	18.7	21.4	20.8	12.2
Other Western 2/	67	10	7	12	19	13	6	14.9	10.4	17.9	28.4	19.4	9.0
Western	189	27	24	36	47	37	18	14.3	12.7	19.0	24.9	19.6	9.5
U.S.	6,032	819	673	1,350	1,827	987	376	13.6	11.1	22.4	30.3	16.4	6.2

1/Includes Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, and New Jersey.

2/Includes Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah and Nevada.

FALL - SOWS FARROWING - 1952

State	Total	Sows Farrowing by Months						Percent of Total					
		June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
	Thousands												
N.Y.	18	2	2	4	5	3	2	11.5	11.5	21.4	30.1	15.1	10.4
Pa.	70	7	7	16	20	14	6	9.9	9.9	22.5	29.4	19.8	8.5
Other N.Atl. 1/	30	5	4	6	7	5	3	16.7	13.3	20.0	23.3	16.7	10.0
N.Atl.	118	14	13	26	32	22	11	11.9	11.0	22.0	27.1	18.7	9.3
Ohio	347	28	35	97	117	53	17	8.1	10.1	27.9	33.8	15.1	5.0
Ind.	563	72	88	174	164	48	17	12.7	15.6	30.9	29.2	8.5	3.1
Ill.	625	83	59	157	212	73	41	13.3	9.4	25.2	33.9	11.7	6.5
Mich.	88	17	14	18	23	12	4	19.6	16.1	20.6	25.5	13.6	4.6
Wis.	172	26	24	42	48	25	7	14.9	14.3	24.2	27.7	14.7	4.2
E.N.Cent.	1,795	226	220	488	564	211	86	12.6	12.2	27.2	31.4	11.8	4.8
Minn.	293	68	38	63	84	33	7	23.1	12.9	21.4	28.8	11.3	2.5
Iowa	980	230	103	206	299	118	24	23.5	10.5	21.0	30.5	12.0	2.5
Mo.	403	39	43	91	138	63	29	9.6	10.8	22.5	34.3	15.7	7.1
N.Dak.	14	8	2	1	2	1	--	58.6	11.2	10.9	12.9	5.2	1.2
S.Dak.	57	20	6	8	14	7	2	34.4	10.4	14.9	24.9	12.4	3.0
Nebr.	161	23	13	30	60	28	7	14.4	7.9	18.5	37.5	17.2	4.5
Kans.	104	10	7	18	44	17	8	10.0	7.0	17.1	42.2	16.4	7.3
W.N.Cent.	2,012	398	212	417	641	267	77	19.8	10.5	20.7	31.9	13.3	3.8
N.Cent.	3,807	624	432	905	1,205	478	163	16.4	11.3	23.8	31.6	12.6	4.3
Del. & Md.	32	3	5	7	9	6	2	9.4	15.6	21.9	28.1	18.8	6.2
Va.	80	9	11	16	24	13	7	11.2	13.6	20.4	29.4	16.1	9.3
W.Va.	16	2	2	3	5	3	1	8.9	9.3	20.2	33.6	21.2	6.8
N.C.	114	12	17	21	30	20	14	10.9	14.9	18.0	25.9	17.8	12.5
S.C.	75	13	13	13	15	12	9	16.7	17.9	17.8	19.3	15.9	12.4
Ga.	192	21	33	38	43	40	17	10.9	17.1	19.6	22.7	20.7	9.0
Fla.	57	9	8	12	12	9	7	16.4	13.5	20.5	21.8	15.9	11.9
S.Atl.	566	69	89	110	138	103	57	12.2	15.7	19.4	24.4	18.2	10.1
Ky.	100	11	14	22	28	17	8	10.5	13.5	22.5	28.1	17.1	8.3
Tenn.	109	13	17	25	24	18	12	12.0	15.9	22.4	22.4	16.5	10.8
Ala.	127	14	24	30	27	22	10	11.3	18.6	23.6	21.6	17.0	7.9
Miss.	70	11	10	14	16	12	7	15.3	14.0	20.9	22.5	17.0	10.3
Ark.	49	8	8	11	11	7	4	16.6	15.6	23.2	21.7	14.8	8.1
La.	55	8	9	9	10	10	9	15.4	15.5	16.9	17.8	18.5	15.9
Okla.	58	7	8	12	18	8	5	12.5	13.1	20.8	31.1	13.7	8.8
Tex.	116	15	21	25	25	20	10	13.0	18.4	21.1	21.3	17.5	8.7
S.Cent.	684	87	111	148	159	114	65	12.7	16.2	21.6	23.3	16.7	9.5
Colo.	23	4	3	4	7	4	1	18.2	12.3	18.2	31.5	14.4	5.4
Wash.	14	2	2	3	4	2	1	12.7	14.9	19.6	31.3	15.5	6.0
Oreg.	13	1	1	4	4	2	1	8.1	11.0	27.6	28.6	17.1	7.6
Calif.	47	6	5	9	12	9	6	13.6	11.1	18.6	25.9	18.1	12.7
Other Western 2/	46	9	7	9	12	7	2	19.6	15.2	19.6	26.1	15.2	4.3
Western	143	22	18	29	39	24	11	15.4	12.6	20.3	27.2	16.8	7.7
U. S.	5,318	816	663	1,218	1,573	741	307	15.3	12.5	22.9	29.6	13.9	5.8

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Spring Intentions: Farmers' reports on breeding intentions indicate 7,395,000 sows to farrow in the spring of 1953 (December 1 to June 1). This would be a decrease of 13 percent from last spring and 17 percent below the 10-year average. Compared with last year all regions show decreases. By regions, the indicated reductions are as follows: North Atlantic, 14 percent; east North Central and west North Central, each 10 percent; South Atlantic, 15 percent; South Central and West, each 30 percent.

These estimated changes from last year are based on breeding intentions reported by farmers about December 1.

If the intentions for spring farrowings materialize and the number of pigs saved per litter equals 6.50 (based on the 10-year average with an allowance for the upward trend) the 1953 spring pig crop would be about 48.0 million head. A spring crop this size would be 15 percent smaller than in 1952 or the 10-year average spring crop. For the Corn Belt, the 1953 spring crops would be 12 percent smaller than last year.

Hogs 6 Months Old on Farms: The number of hogs over 6 months old on farms on December 1 this year was reported to be about 15 percent below the number on December 1 last year.

The rapid movement of the 1952 spring pig crop reflects continuation of the tendency of recent years toward earlier farrowing and earlier marketing. Total commercial slaughter of hogs during August, September and October was only 4 percent below the same months last year, in contrast to the 9 percent decrease in the 1952 spring crop. However, during the past few months, barrows and gilts have been marketed at somewhat heavier weights than a year earlier.

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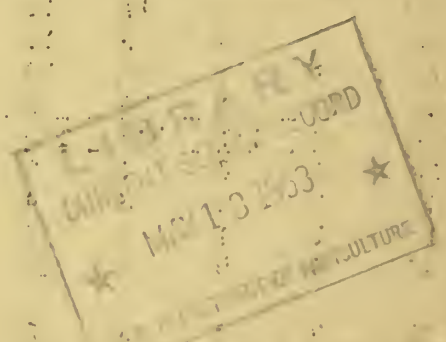
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